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Commissioner for Patents  
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Re: Application of Geert JANSSENS; Isabelle KALMAR; Peter ROOSE;  
Steven SEGERS; Piet VANNESTE  
TREATMENT OF POULTRY FOR INCREASING THE FEED CONVERSION  
RATE OR FOR REDUCING THE INCIDENCE OF ASCITES  
**Assignee: TAMINCO**  
Our Ref: Q96506

Dear Sir:

The following documents are submitted herewith in connection with the above application for the purpose of entering the National stage under 35 U.S.C. §371 and in accordance with the Patent Cooperation Treaty:

- ☒ a copy of the executed Declaration and Power of Attorney.
- ☒ a copy of the International Application.
- ☐ 0 sheet(s) of drawings.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 19 claim amendments.
- ☐ an English translation of Article 34 amendments (annexes to the IPER).
- ☐ a copy of the executed Assignment and PTO 1595 form.
- ☐ a copy of the ISR.
- ☐ a copy of the IPER.
- ☒ an Information Disclosure Statement, together with a PTO/SB/08 A & B listing the cited references
- ☒ a copy of each reference cited in the IDS.
- ☒ a Preliminary Amendment.

In addition to the documents submitted herewith, it is assumed that copies of the International Search Report and cited references, the International Preliminary Examination Report, and any Articles 19 and 34 amendments as required by §371(c) will be supplied directly by the International Bureau, but if further copies are needed, the undersigned will undertake to provide them upon request.



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**It is expressly requested that the national stage of processing be commenced immediately in accordance with 35 U.S.C. § 371(f).**

**Please see the attached PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT before calculating the filing fee.**

The Government filing fee is calculated as follows:

Total claims	<u>25</u>	-	<u>20</u>	=	<u>5</u>	x	\$50.00	=	<u>\$250.00</u>
Independent claims	<u>4</u>	-	<u>3</u>	=	<u>1</u>	x	\$200.00	=	<u>\$200.00</u>
Base Fee									<u>\$300.00</u>
Search Fee									<u>\$500.00</u>
Examination Fee									<u>\$200.00</u>
<b><u>TOTAL FEE</u></b>									<u><b>\$1,450.00</b></u>

The statutory fee of \$1,450.00 is being charged to Deposit Account No. 19-4880 via EFS Payment Screen. The USPTO is also directed and authorized to charge all required fees, except for the Issue Fee and the Publication Fee, to Deposit Account No. 19-4880. Please also credit any overpayments to said Deposit Account.

There is no claim to priority.

Respectfully submitted,

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